

# Appendix N

## *Procedures for Composting Bark*

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### Procedure for Composting Bark in a Trench

The procedure for composting bark **in a trench** follows:

**Step 1—Start a compost pile of at least 200 cubic yards in one end of a trench.**



1. The material on the outer side of the compost pile must be free of both eggs that could hatch and larvae.
2. The compost pile must be 300 feet from host material.

**Step 2—Allow the compost pile to remain undisturbed until the temperature reaches 120°F (40°C) for at least 4 continuous days.**

**Step 3—Using a front-end loader or a bulldozer, remove the outer layer of the compost pile to a depth of 3 feet.**

**Step 4—Down the trench, start a second compost pile using the recently-removed cover material as a core.**

**Step 5—Move the core material from the first compost pile and place on the second compost pile as a cover at least 3-feet deep. (Leave some composted material to serve as “inoculum” for subsequent piles.)**

**Step 6—Allow the second compost pile to remain undisturbed until the temperature reaches 120°F (49°C) for at least 4 continuous days.**

**Step 7—Remove the second compost pile and use as fully-composted material.**

**Step 8—Repeat procedure.**

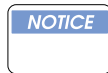


This procedure will allow continuous operation. After the first compost pile is “turned” to become the second compost pile, a new “first” compost pile can be started.

## Procedure for Composting Bark in a Pile

The procedure for composting bark *in a pile* follows:

**Step 1—Start a compost pile of at least 200 cubic yards.**



1. The material on the outer side of the compost pile must be free of both eggs that could hatch and larvae.
2. The compost pile must be 300 feet from host material.

**Step 2—Allow the compost pile to remain undisturbed until the temperature reaches 120 °F (49 °C) for at least 4 continuous days.**

**Step 3—Using a front-end loader or a bulldozer, remove the outer layer of the compost pile to a depth of 3 feet.**

**Step 4—Start a second compost pile using the recently-removed cover material as a core.**

**Step 5—Move the core material from the first compost pile and place on the second compost pile as a cover at least 3-feet deep. (Leave some composted material to serve as "inoculum" for subsequent piles.)**

**Step 6—Allow the second compost pile to remain undisturbed until the temperature reaches 120 °F (49 °C) for at least 4 continuous days.**

**Step 7—Remove the second compost pile and use as fully-composted material.**

**Step 8—Repeat procedure.**



This procedure will allow continuous operation. After the first compost pile is "turned" to become the second compost pile, a new "first" compost pile can be started.